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PLACE: BERGEN

COUNTRY: NORWAY

Population: _____

Province: Hordland

Date of Observation: Mar. 13, 1951

General Description: Shipping, fishing and distributing center for large coastal area, some manufacturing, ship repairing, etc. International trade by sea.

Geographic Description: This is the coastal fringe of Hardanger plateau. Consists of low lying islands off mouth of long fjords.

Occupations:AgriculturalImportant within
fjords.FishingImportant cod,
herring, etc.IndustrialFish production,
flour milling,
miscellaneous small.

Natural Vegetation: Much of coastal area is not wooded, but when wooded is typically coniferous to tree line.

Land Forms and Geology: Worn down, rounded, glaciated, former marine platform. Indented fjord coast.

Mining:RETURN TO CIA
LIBRARY

Population (racial, cultural, linguistic): Norwegian. Probably considerable mixture of foreign on account of long shipping tradition. Bergen dialect different from elsewhere.

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Climate and Weather March 12, 13, 1951

Temperatures: -5° to +5°C

Precipitation: Trace of snow. Mountains in background snow covered.

Clouds: Clear, some cu. str.

Other: Wind southeast. Small lake in town partially frozen.

Electric Power:

Source:

Voltage: 230 Cycle: 50

Extent of Grid: Noted towers on hills east of town.

Telephone Yes Telegraph Yes Radio Yes TV

TRANSPORTATION: (From: Bergen To: Oslo)

Railway:

Station: Yes

Ballast:

Power : Steam

Gauge : Standard

Bridges:

(NOTE) - Discussion on Mar. 12, in Engineering Society of new plans
Highways: for tunnel to Bergen, plus electrification.

Route No's :

Surface Type:

Width :

Seasonal Use:

Underpass :

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Location: Across harbor.

Tonnage : Very small.

Capacity:

Schedules: Note many modern ferries to outlying suburbs for commuters.

Steamers:Routing: Daily express route along Norwegian coast and connections with
New Castle, London, etc.
Tonnages:

Capacity:

Schedules:

Bus Routes:

Summer:

Winter:

Other Transportation: Seaplane base in harbor.MAPSTitleScaleDatePublisherHydrographic chart of south coast
(See report for details)Street map of Bergen
(See report for details)

Automobilveier i Sør-Norge

1:1,000,000 1949

Norwegian Automobile
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| <u>Title</u> | <u>Author</u> | <u>Date</u> | <u>Publisher</u> | <u>Cost</u> |
|---|------------------|-------------|------------------|-------------|
| How to Feel at Home in Norway | Phillip Boardman | 1950 | Aschehoug | |
| Rutebok for Norge (monthly schedules of all transportation) | | Mar. 1951 | | |

PERSONAL DATA:

Arrived from New Castle via Stavanger

Date of travel to this place: Mar. 12, 1951 Arrived: _____Starting Point: New Castle Departed: BergenDeparted: 1800 - 13 Mar. '51

Distance traveled (in kms): _____

Vehicles Used: SS Astrea - Bergen Steamship LineWhere stayed: Hotel Bristol Comments: GoodCONTACTS:

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Address</u> | <u>Position</u> | <u>T.ph.</u> | <u>Comment</u> |
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Photographs:

Purchased locally: Postcards of Bergen, especially harbor and terrain.

Taken: Of town and harbor, latter including panorama.

Light good, getting dark toward end of day.

Sketches Made:

None

| <u>Location</u> | <u>Description</u> |
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SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

Industries:

| <u>Type</u> | <u>No. of Workers</u> | <u>Products</u> | <u>Power</u> |
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SEAPORTS:

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General Comments: Bergen is a modern harbor, well equipped for handling ocean going vessels, coastal express steamers, local vessels and fishing boats. Also a Naval yard.

Cargo Handling: See detailed map of town and Danish Red Book of European harbors.

Wharves:

| <u>Name:</u> | <u>Location</u> | <u>Depth</u> |
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Lighters:Cranes:

| <u>Location</u> | <u>Tonnage</u> | <u>Comments</u> |
|------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| Main steamer quay Tolbodk | {Large electric} | 8, four on each side 2 |
| <u>Repair Facilities</u> | (See photographs) | |

Machine Shops: Yes

Foundries: Yes

Dry docks: Yes

Salvage gear: Yes

Supplies Available

| | |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| Water Yes | Coal Yes |
| Provisions Yes | Oil-Fuel Yes |
| Engineering Yes | Diesel Fuel Yes |
| Deck Yes | |

Harbor Information Charts and pilot books available from: T. Beyers, Boghandel, Strandgaten 4, Bergen. Chart used for exit from harbor was #302, scale 1:1,000,000, 1932, edited to 1 June 1948. Lights shown in color. Title - Den Norske Kyst Fra Bergen til Andenes.

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